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## **RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2007, requiring restriction of invention under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, without traverse, the Group II invention, comprising claims 90-167, drawn to a method of determining a reaction product in blood using an overflow chamber, classified in class 436, subclass 63. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected inventions.

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Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response or the application in general, the Examiner is urged to contact the Applicants' attorney, Andrew J. Bateman, by telephone at (202) 625-3547. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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